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Subject: Re: Gov to Gov meeting

Hi Heather:

thank you for sending this. Did you intend to leave Doug L. / NOAA off the list?

On Wed, Apr 22, 2015 at 6:08 PM, Heather Kendall-Miller <kendall@narf.org> wrote:

Hi Jamey,

Thanks for responding positively to the Native Village of Tyonek's (NVT) request to have a government-to-government meeting with the Tribe and other representatives of the various federal agencies that have jurisdiction over certain aspects of the permitting process regarding PacRim's Ch'u'itna coal undertaking and its effect on waters of the United States.

As you know, up until November 2014 the Corps of Engineers had been conducting Co-Operating Agency meetings to discuss developments on the Supplemental Environment Impact Statement. Among the many topics that were being discussed by the Co-Operating agencies was the functional assessment of the wetlands. Our initial discussions proved to be very complex and it was fully expected at the time that the discussions would continue so that the Tribe could have a meaningful opportunity to learn about the functional assessment analysis in order to give comment to that portion of the SEIS.

Since the Corp has now chosen to suspend our meetings until a draft SEIS is available for review, NVT is requesting this Government to Government meeting to seek assistance, as provided in our Memorandum of Understanding, of the various federal agencies that have expertise in this area. In particular, NVT would like a better understanding of the functional assessment analysis and what roles and responsibilities each of the federal agencies have in contributing to this analysis.

In pursuit of this goal, NVT has asked the following federal representatives to join us at the meeting:

Ellen Lance, FWS

Phil Brna, FWS

Yourself, EPA

Matthew LaCroix, EPA

Al Goozmer, President for NVT

Shay Elbaum, law clerk to NARF

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Myself

I have ccd: all here. Please let me know if there is anything further I can provide.

Best, Heather

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